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"COME YE THANKFUL PEOPLE COME"

CONGREGATIONAL KANSAS

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Midwest Regional Meeting - 1958

In attending a gathering outside your local church, whether it be an Association Meeting, a State Conference, the General Council or the Midwest Regional, one always gains the feeling of being part of a vital, extensive fellowship. That's the first impression I received as I attended this year's Midwest Regional Meeting in Ft. Wayne, Indiana, from October 13-16. Over 500 delegates, state superintendents and ministers were present from our 19 state midwest area. The Kansas delegation included Mrs. Roscoe Graves, Mrs. Chas. Gunn, Mrs. E. C. Garrison, Mrs. Ralph Marlin, the Rev. Elmo Paff and the Rev. Ray Carlton Jones.

"The Christian and His Daily Work" was the theme of this year's meeting under the guidance of the Council for Christian Social Action. The keynote address, "All Life Belongs to God", was given by Jerry Voorhis of Chicago. Dr. Ray Phillips, Moderator of the General Council and a retired missionary from South Africa, spoke to us on the subject, "Social Action on a Mission Field". "Work and Worship in a Christian Community" was discussed by Dr. Clarence Jordan of Americus, Georgia, and an address on "The Bible and Personal Decisions in Daily Work" was presented by Mary Ely Lyman of New York City. These main speeches plus smaller discussion groups were both enlightening and inspiring.

Religion in higher education came in for considerable discussion and the importance of the Christian Higher Education Fund (CHEF) was emphasized. In supporting this effort, Congregationalists are acknowledging a long overdue obligation to our denominational schools, colleges, and seminaries.

The Midwest Regional Meeting is rather informally organized but Kansans will be interested to know that Mrs. Roscoe Graves was elected secretary of the Midwest Regional Committee and the Rev. Ray Carlton Jones was re-elected to the Executive Committee.

Ft. Wayne was a most cordial host to this year's meeting. The members of Plymouth Church and their minister, the Rev. Elmer Voelkel, handled details of the meeting most effeciently.

Next year's meeting will be in Oak Park, Illinois, from October 13-15. These gatherings not only bring us in touch with the wider fellowship, but they are personally inspiring and educational. Why don't many more Kansas Congregationalists attend? Start planning now to go to Oak Park next October.

—Ray Jones, Reporting

See You In January

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Thanksgiving - 1958

Thankfulness to God! Yes, even though the season brings mingled thoughts and emotions; even though hate, bitterness, prejudice and suspicion bring trouble and turmoil in many parts of the world. Let us not become so blinded by these conditions that we fail to recognize the everlasting mercy and goodness of God.

The art of gratitude should be continually cultivated. The favors bestowed upon us by our friends and loved ones alone, are legion. Yet how easy it is to accept these, day after day, with never a spoken or written word of appreciation.

God, the giver of all good gifts, the creator of all things good and beautiful, is also frequently taken for granted. His mercy is over all his works, but so often we fail to lift a prayer of gratitude and Thanksgiving.

Let us read again the great Psalms-songs of Thanksgiving - and in true devotion to God, lift our prayer of praise and gratitude.

"Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His Holy Name.

"Bless the Lord, O my soul and forget not all His benefits."

Let us strive for a Thanksgiving experience that deepens our fellowship with God and strengthens the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love, a Christian Love that works for world brotherhood and peace.

"He who thanks but with the lips,
Thanks but in part;
The full, the true Thanksgiving
Comes from the heart."

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TAKE TIME FOR TEN THINGS

Take time to worship—it is the highway of reverence which cleanses and restores the soul.

Take time to work—it is the price of success.

Take time to think—it is the source of power.

Take time to read—it is the foundation of knowledge.

Take time to help and enjoy friends—it is the source of happiness.

Take time to play—it is the secret of youth.

Take time to love—it is the one sacrament.

Take time to dream—it hitches the soul to the stars.

Take time to laugh—it is the singing that helps with life's loads.

Take time to plan—it is the secret of being able to have time to take time for the first nine things.

Seventy-Five Years Old

Members of the Anniversary Committee making plans for observance of the 75th birthday of the Udall Congregational Church are: Mrs. Ira Satterthwaite, chairman, Mr. Earl Olmstead, Mrs. Don Walker and the minister, Rev. Carl Hathaway.

The observance on Sunday, December 7 will include special programs at Church School and the Morning Worship service, followed by a basket dinner. In the afternoon out of town guests are invited for a presentation of the church history, reminiscenses, and a message by a guest speaker, followed by a courtesy supper.

During its 75 years, the Udall Church has been served by 33 ministers. The Rev. Harry Scott who has served 3 pastorates for a total of 13 years, still lives in the community and was made "Pastor Emeritus" in 1954. In the tornado of 1955 which levelled the town, including the Congregational Church and parsonage, five members lost their lives. Through hundreds of hours of volunteer labor and monetary contributions of Kansas churches and the Board of Home Missions, a new church and parsonage were built and dedicated in May, 1956, one year after the tragic storm. The Rev. Penn Chambers guided the church during much of the rebuilding and gave sacrificially of his time and energy until this fall when he accepted a call to Orient, Iowa.

The Rev. Carl Hathaway began his ministry September first. The church has 95 members with 120 enrolled in church school. Nine in the present membership have belonged more than 50 years; Mrs. Alta Cook, whose parents were charter members, has belonged for 68 years.

Happy Anniversary - Udall.

85th Anniversary

McPherson Church observed the 85th Anniversary of the founding of the church with a special banquet on Sept. 30. The Rev. A. H. Bartter was Toastmaster for the occasion. Mrs. Henry Kittell read a history of the church; Mrs. C. R. Lytle presented an exhibit of pictures. Following group singing led by Mrs. Lydia Darrah and Mr. Max McAuley, Col. Glenn Witherspoon, formerly with the U.S.A.F., and now in charge of Chaplains for the National Council of Churches, brought the anniversary message. Mr. Witherspoon served the McPherson Church from 1937 to 1940 when he entered the Chaplaincy from which service he retired last June. Mrs. Witherspoon accompanied her husband on the Kansas visit to the Sabetha and McPherson Anniversary Celebrations.

The Bartter's completed six years of service at our McPherson Church the first of September. We are sorry that the October issue incorrectly stated that they had been at McPherson five years. They began their new work at Newton, October 15.

Third Birthday

On October 12, Wichita Mayflower celebrated their third birthday with recognition of charter members and reception of new members. At a party in the evening, guests from other churches were invited to join in an evening of music, slides of early activities, and refreshments.

Over and Above

Devoted members at McPherson under the leadership of Raymond Bell recently raised $1,128.00 for Our Christian World Mission and sent it in marked "over and above" the church pledge which had shown a decrease for 1958. Such loyalty deserves sincere commendation.

Fifty Years Old

The above pictured golden wreath vith lighted candles on the altar at Rosedale on October 26 are symbolic, iot only of the Golden Anniversary vhich was climaxed that day, but also he warmth of the fellowship which ervaded the atmosphere. The "mo- nents with the children" as they sat n the floor in front of the altar to iear the story of "A Golden Heart"; he rhythmic interpretation of "How Great Thou Art" by the choirs and the ermon by the minister, "On the Shoulders of The Past", all gave wit- iess of the living present in observance f the historic past. Almost 300 people ttended the anniversary dinner which vas followed by recognitions and rem- nscences and a talk by State Superin- endant, L. M. Rymph.

Rosedale Congregational Church be- gan with a small Sunday School which vas organized in 1906 with the help of Rev. J. P. O'Brien, at that time state superintendent of Sunday Schools for the state of Missouri. Mid-week prayer meetings and Sunday evening preaching services were soon added to the S.S. program. These services were held in a one-room store until the little organization was able to build its first house of worship in 1908. In good Congregational tradition, the next thing to be added was a library of 316 volumes, most of which was contributed by Westminster Congregational Church.

With the aid of the Kansas Congregational Home Mission Society, the first minister was secured in the person of Rev. L. A. Halbert, a church covenant and constitution was adopted, and a charter drawn up which contains the signatures of 26 charter members. Under the leadership of Rev. L. C. Markham and Rev. John H. Jones, the present building on Lloyd Street was started and finally completed in 1920.

Fourteen ministers have served the church during the past fifty years of its history. Most of these have long passed on and of those still living, none were able to be present at our Golden Anniversary Celebration. Mrs. Guy Gebhardt, daughter of the beloved minister, Lucius C. Markham, was the closest representative of a long tradition of loyal servants; she assisted with the anniversary worship service. The Bonny's have served since 1952.

Rev. and Mrs. O. E. Bonney, Beatrice, Eric and Francis

Rev. and Mrs. C. G. Nelson
Taken in 1922

The Rev. and Mrs. Christian G. Nelson were honored on September 26 at our Lenora Church. The Rev. John R. Becker conduted a Service of Recognition of the 50 years of faithful service in the Christian Ministry, rendered by the Nelson's. Following a covered dish dinner, a Concordance of the Revised Standard Version of the Bible was presented to the Nelson's.

Modern Methods

Christian Education must be the concern of the entire church. Our children and young people are growing up in a world that has seen more change in the last fifty years than in any similar period since recorded history. What does the church have to say for our times? Ask parents today if they teach their girls and boys to trim the lamp wicks, church and mold butter or chop kindling and nightly fill a wood box; they will probably think the question too silly to answer. But light, food and heat are veryr important today. It is only the method of producing them that has changed. Ask these same parents to take a look at their church school methods and they are horrified. The lesson materials of 1875 are "good enough for us."

Certainly the centralities of the Christian faith are the same today, but they need interpretation in terms of today's living. It is encouraging to see the number of people who feel the need of better materials, more study and more training for the task, but it is disheartening to see the few who object to any suggested change.

Evaluate — Set Goals

A sincere and thorough evaluation of the process of Christian Education is a rewarding activity. After this a clear statement of goals and purposes of Christian Education can be made by informed and dedicated people. It is very important that such a statement be the result of a group decision and that teachers and leaders are in agreement. An evaluation will often show that many of the things we have been doing from habit are really a waste of time and do not contribute to our ultimate goals. Let us be humble and sincere enough to admit our error and try another way. We can no longer hide our heads and say it is the same old Gospel, we can teach it in the same old way. Our children live in a scientific world that is moving at a rapid rate; the church must have a message for them. Jesus spoke to Him time, we must make sure that our children and young people understand that He also speaks to us today.

"Tomorrow"

The newsletter, "Tomorrow" contains news and helps timely for persons in the local church. TOMORROW is mailed free from the Conference office to those who request it. Send names and addresses to 923 Kansas Avenue. The next number will have reports from the Christmas Workshops and ideas for Christmas.

—Mrs. Carl E. Georgeson,
Assistant in Christian Education

A copy of "Pokey" Bear translated into Turkish is being shown to Mrs. John W. Gibson by the Rev. and Mrs. E. C. Blake, missionary educators from Turkey. The translation was done by the Blake's daughter, Jacklyn. Such books are distributed in rural areas of Turkey by bookmobile.

—Photo Courtesy Wichita Eagle

Around The Associations

Blue skies, brilliant sunshine, perfect October weather, church folks gathered together for good fellowship and the consideration of forward-looking plans, plus the world vision and Christian Committment of the Blake's from Turkey, combined to make the 1958 Association Meetings memorable.

New Leaders

Officers elected to take office at the close of the State Conference Meeting to be held April 24-26 at Wichita Plymouth were as follows:

Eastern: Mr. Perc Rayl of K. C. Welborn—Moderator; Mrs. Carl B. Althaus of Lawrence—Assistant Moderator; Rev. W. S. Stevenson of Council Grove—Registrar. The 1959 meeting will be held at KC Ruby with the Rev. Robert M. Rymph as Host Pastor.

Southern: President - Rev. Clarence Kilde of Wichita Fairmount; Vice President—Mrs. Edgar Eldridge of Newton; Secretary—Rev. Elmo Paff of Wichita Mayflower. The Association accepted the invitation to meet at Sedgwick next October with the Rev. Owen Prince as Host pastor.

Western: Moderator - Rev. Edward Brantz of Great Bend; Assistant Moderator—Mrs. Ed. Peterson of Kinsley; Registrar—Rev. Malcolm White of Kinsley. Next year's meeting will be held at Lenora with the Rev. John Becker as Host Pastor.

General Synod Delegates

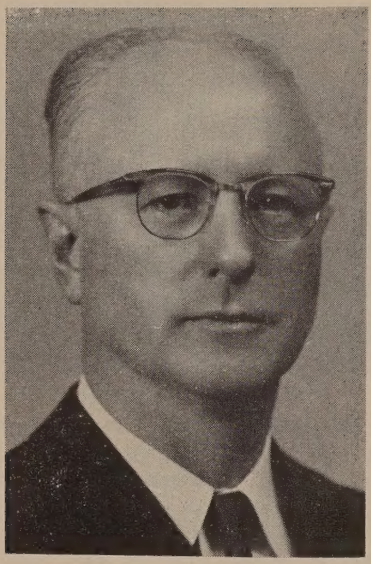
Oberlin College will be host to the Second General Synod of the United Church of Christ July 5 to 9, 1959. Kansas Congregational Christian Conference is entitled to six delegates at these sessions. By vote of the Conference in April each association was asked to name one delegate and one alternate and the following were chosen:

Western — Dan Hopkins, Garden City. Alternate—Mrs. Carl Georgeson, Lenora.

Southern — Mrs. Roscoe Graves, Emporia. Alternate—Mrs. John Gibson, Wichita Plymouth.

Eastern — Rev. Ned McKenney, Topeka Central. Alternate—Rev. Oscar Bonny, K.C. Rosedale.

The three delegates at large are to be named by a committee of the Conference Board of Trustees, the Rev. Ned McKenney, Chairman, Mr. Dan Hopkins and the Rev. Steve Williams.



Ministers' Convocation
February 16, 17 and 18

Highlighting the 33rd annual Washburn Ministers' Convocation to be held in Mid-February will be the Rev. Victor Obenhaus, pictured above, Associate Professor, "The Church in Agricultural and Industrial Life" of the Federated Faculty of the University of Chicago and the Chicago Theological Seminary. Mr. Obenhaus began his present association in the field of Ethics and Society in 1944. He has earned his A.B. from Oberlin; B.D., Union Theological Seminary, M.A. and Ed. D. from Columbia University. Previous to his present position, he was principal of Pleasant Hill Academy 1938-44, member of the Ministerial staff, Riverside Church in N.Y. City 1936-38 and Assistant Minister of the Church of the Covenant, Cleveland, Ohio—1929-36.

He is chairman of the Board of Directors of Merom Institute, Member of the Board of Trustees of Oberlin College and a member of the Dept. of Church and Economic Life of the National Council of Churches. His publications include: "The Hebrew Prophets and America's Conscience" and "The Responsible Christian."

The chapel speaker will be the Rev. Rex Knowles, University Pastor of the University of Nebraska of Lincoln. More about Mr. Knowles and other features of the program being arranged by the Rev. Julian Johnson and his committee will be released later.

Kansas Ministers! Save the dates February 16, 17, closing at noon on the 18th.

It Can Happen Here!
Guy T. Gebhardt

The forums on the "Right to Work" amendment conducted by the local and state committees on Christian Social Action have proved that it can happen here. Both sides of the question were presented by strong advocates from the Committee on Public Education and the Kansans for Right to Work. The presentations were followed by pertinent questions and answers, all in a spirit of fellowship and good will. We found that it is possible to discuss a very controversial and emotion filled issue and yet remain friends and not use inflamatory adjectives. Forums were held at Fairmount, Pilgrim, Kiowa, Welborn and Concord.

In one of our newer churches there was a young man who had worked in house to house canvassing for the Right to Work Amendment and of course in his own church he was a most emphatic "pro". Later he went with us to another church and defended the affirmative. At his own church it happened that a young labor leader was presenting the negative and became so interested in the spirit and response

of the group that he and his wife attended the morning service the next Sunday. Here he met again the young "pro" advocate and they are becoming friends. It is rumored that an evening of bridge is in the offering. So it can happen here.

Labor and management were somewhat surprised and very happy that the church is genuinely concerned about these vital social issues. In preparation for these forums, the secretary made several visits to the offices of the "Kansas for Right to Work" and the Committee on Public Education, interviewing their leaders and explaining our Christian approach. Both groups were very cooperative.

One Church Writes

"After your visit to our church early last spring, we organized a Social Action Committee made up of representatives from all of the adult groups and high school classes. This month we reorganized and elected a chairman. He is a fine young man and is very conscientious in the work he is given to do and we believe that he can do a lot for Christian Social Action in our church and community."

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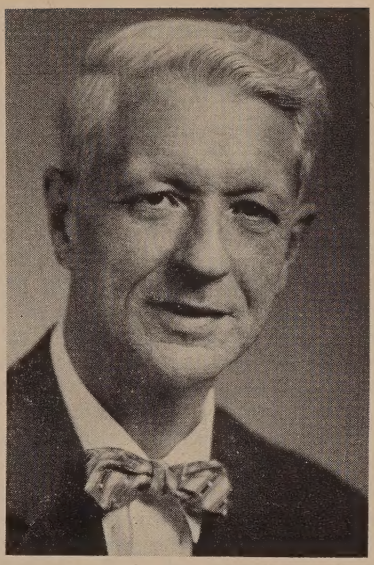
CHEF

Pictured on this page is the Western Regional Director for the $7,500,000 Christian Higher Education Fund to be raised by our denomintaion. Mr. Harold A. Lumsden, with headquarters in San Francisco, is helping with the organization in 13 Western and middle western Conferences, including Kansas. The funds are to be used for ministry on our campuses and for undergirding the program of Christian Higher Education in our church-related colleges and universities across the nation and around the world. Kansas' share of the $7,500,000 is $117,000.



Information Meetings

In order that key leaders in every church may become informed about the need and plans to meet that need, guest leaders from the American Board, the Board of Home Missions, the CHEF Staff and the Conference are giving four days of their time for special meetings in Kansas, December 7-10 as follows:

Dec. 7—at Russell Cong'l Church.
Dec. 8—at Plymouth Church, Wichita
Dec. 9—at Central Church, Topeka
Dec. 10—at Ruby Avenue Church, Kansas City.

These are not to be mass meetings; the minister, a chosen layman and a chosen woman from each church are being asked to attend the meeting nearest. The program will begin at 3:30 and adjourn promptly at 8:30 p.m. Dinner will be served by each host church.

Kansas Women's Fellowship

Mrs. Roscoe W. Graves, President

Friendly Service

IS A HUNGRY, UNCLOTHED CHILD SITTING ON YOUR CHURCH DOORSTEP? Yes, and many other of God's children too. You will see them clearly in your fellowships Friendly Service quotas for this year. Imagine the great smile of joy and hope that will light those faces when your package arrives. Those children of God will feel your love surround them, for you cared enough to see and fill their hungry needs.

Your Friendly Service Chairman has received the quotas for your fellowship. The time to start is now for the need is now. Make it your opportunity to help by offering your time and talents in service of God's children around the world. As Jesus said, "As oft as you do it unto the least of these my brethren, you have done it unto me."

Serving hands and praying hands must go together. Spiritual hunger is something everyone in each fellowship can fill personally. Don't let your oportunity pass by un-noticed and unanswered.

A special appeal to each woman is to help fill your fellowship's "CLOSET FOR OTHERS." This is a constant storehouse for good used things for use in filling some Friendly Service quotas, your local community welfare projects, or disaster emergency giving.

"What Doth The Lord Require"—Our hearts, our hands, our prayers, our lives, in His Service.

"Till The Master Stops Giving"

"Go, break to the needy sweet charity's bread,
"For giving is living," the angel said.
"And must I be giving again and again?"
My peevish and pitiless answer ran.
"Oh no," said the angel, his glance pierced me through,
"Just give till the Master stops giving to you."

Autobiography of a Shirt!
(Contributed by Rosedale)

I was born two years ago in an Arrow Shirt factory. I had great dreams of doing many things in my life. Most of all I wanted to go abroad and travel. One day after I arrived at the counter of a store, I was bought by a boy as a gift for father on his special day, the third Sunday in June. I remember so well as I went the very next Sunday to choir with my master. I have enjoyed many things as his Sunday best, from weddings to barber shop quartets. Although he shaved and bathed very carefully each time he wore me, I began in time, to show signs of collar wear - girls, you know what I mean; those whiskers are MURDER.

As I was put into the washer from my last wearing, I expected to at least get to help Calvin dust the church, but what happened? I was cut into a lot of little pieces and then sewed back together with bits of ribbon and lace. I couldn't imagine what was happening until I went to a committee meeting and what do you think I heard? . . . Plans to send me ABROAD! I was to start a new life with some tiny baby who would not have any clothes to wear home from the hospital unless I and my brothers were there to help. We started a new and exciting life through the Friendly Service of the

Rosedale Women's Fellowship.

—Mrs. Tom Yoe,
Friendly Service Chairman

Mid-West Pre-Session

Elizabeth Gunn (Mrs. Charles), Christian Social Action Chairman, Gretha Marlin (Mrs. Ralph), Stewardship Chairman, Leona Garrison, (Mrs. E. C.), a Past President and Myrtle Graves attended the Annual Mid-West Regional Meeting in Ft. Wayne, Ind. They went in time to be there for the Pre-Session meetings held on Monday, October 13. These meetings were for the State Presidents and State Chairmen of the Women's Fellowships.

There were seven workshops both morning and afternoon. Lucille Frost gave the keynote address in the morning before the workshops and our National President, Mrs. W. B. Williams gave the talk in the afternoon before the workshops. All six of the national chairmen were there to conduct their workshops.

Mrs. Newell Steward, Director of the School of Social Welfare at Pierce College, spoke to us at the luncheon on "A Christian's Daily Work in the Shadow of the Aropolis." Mrs. Steward and her husband hold appointments by the American Board as well as by the Service Committee.

At the dinner meeting, Porter Bower gave a demonstration on how to use audio-visual materials and then showed a movie about Ryder Memorial Hospital. The women were then divided into small prayer groups of six or eight for their evening devotions. Altogether, Monday was a very rewarding day in the exchange of ideas, in the fellowship with others who have the same responsibilities and in the inspiration we received.

—Myrtle K. Graves
(Mrs. Roscoe W.)

United Church Women

Mrs. Roscoe Graves and Mrs. Charles Gunn attended the Eighth National Assembly held in Denver, October 27-30. Program highlights included an address by Dr. Leslie E. Cooke, Congregational leader and Associate General Secretary of the World Council of Churches of Geneva, Switzerland. An international symposium led by Anna Lord Strauss of New York City, featured women leaders from four major areas of the world. Mrs. Gunn is secretary of the United Church Women of Kansas.

Mrs. Gibson Available

Mrs. John W. Gibson of Wichita Plymouth, returned this fall from several weeks in Europe where she visited C. C. Service Committee projects in Germany and other mission work in Europe. She has always given generously of her time and energy for all church-related programs and is willing to talk to local church groups about "Our Fellowship in Europe."

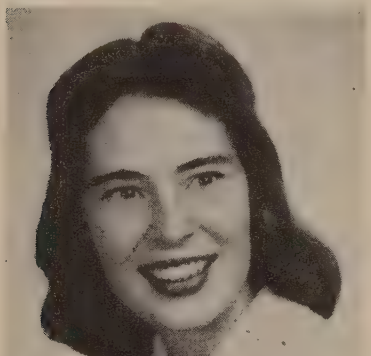
A Christmas Project

We wrote to our hospital in Puerto Rico asking what they would like for Christmas. Here is part of the answer. "What we need is toys for the children's ward; dolls and rubber automobiles are always in demand. The children who receive them take them home of course, so we always need more. Then picture books and good collections of religious or Bible pictures. We never get enough of these. For the older patients, scrap books and jig-saw puzzles are very much appreciated.

Doesn't that give you ideas? Can't your church school send a Christmas shower? There's no trouble about duty. The address is Ryder Hospital, Humacao, Puerto Rico.

Kansas Pilgrim Fellowship

Roger Poppe—President **Ann Helde—Secretary**



Anne Helde - State Secretary

Orchids To Ann

If you haven't seen the Kansas P.F. Handbook, ask your minister, senior sponsor or President. This valuable book contains helps for the Commissions, lists A/V helps, resource materials and many other helps. Most of the credit for the compilation, production and mailing of this handbook goes to Ann Heide, State Secretary. She gave many hours and much thought to make this project a reality. Thank you—Ann.

Wa-Shun-Ga Camps - 1959

On October 27 the Central Committee of Kansas P.F., plus the Camp Directors were called for a meeting at Emporia to consider problems and plans relating to our 1959 P.F. Camps. We had hoped to have Wa-Shun-Ga for four weeks beginning May 31, but the Lutheran Camp Committee could not grant this. We could have an early week beginning May 24, but a survey indicates that there are not enough schools out to make this worthwhile. This means only 3 weeks of Wa-Shun-Ga camping this summer, but we are assured we can have four weeks in 1960, beginning May 29.

Eliminate Next Years' 7th Grade

With regret, your committee voted: "to eliminate next year's 7th graders from 1959 Junior High Camps, making them for next year's 8th and 9th graders, giving next year's 10th graders the choice of either Junior Hi or Senior camp." On this basis 1959 camps will meet:

May 31-June 6—Senior Camp
June 7-June 13—Junior Hi Camp
June 14-June 20—Junior Hi Camp

Planning and Training

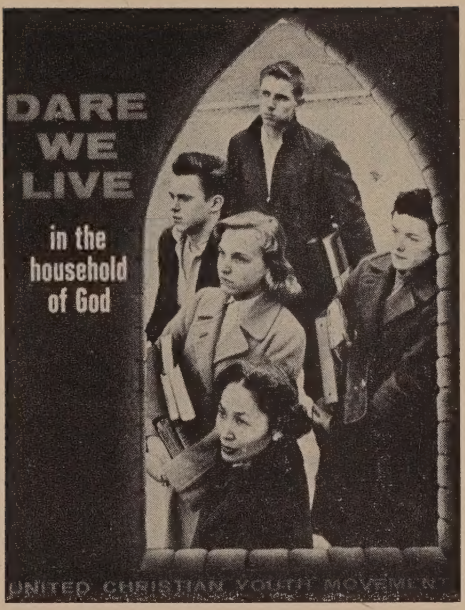
The 1959 P and T Conference will be held on the Doane College Campus, August 24-27. Mark the dates.

Christmas Caroling

For almost two thousand years, Christmas caroling has been one of the hallowed traditions in observance of the birth of Jesus. If your P.F. group has not practiced this stimulating experience, you should do so this year. You can sing for the ill or shut-in, or just sing for old friends. In addition to bringing cheer to others, your group will have a wonderful time of fellowship. Why not try it?

Looking ahead . . .

Youth Week 1959



January 25 - February 1

Young people are important in the life of the church. And one way the church proves this fact is by its observance of Youth Week. This observance next falls during the week of January 25-February 1, 1959. Why mention it so early? Because advance planning and preparation can make a big thing of Youth Week in your community. Start now to encourage your church to permit its young people to be in charge of the morning worship service on Youth Sunday, January 25, 1959. Start now to encourage all of the Christian youth in your community to observe Youth Week and Interdenominational Youth Sunday, February 1, 1959. If you need help, send for the Youth Week Packet. Send your request and one dollar to: P and D, National Council of Churches, P.O. Box 301, Madison Square Station, New York 10, N.Y. This packet includes a Youth Week two-color poster, Youth Week post card, Youth Week manual, guide for services, a radio play, a television play, a Sunday worship service, and a community worship service. The theme for the 1959 Youth Week is "Dare We Live in the Household of God?"

Worship together this week

"We Went Back To Church" By One Who Did

"We decided to start back over. It wasn't conversion we felt, but a need. We went with eyes open, a little skeptically. We even shopped until we found a congenial congregation, a minister we could respect and enjoy listening to.

"And it has been, in a sense concrete and personal, our 'salvation.' We're back to steady ground again financially, physically, emotionally. We've simply injected a little Christian order and common sense into our hitherto chaotically free lives.

"We have discovered people who think thoughts, read books, and can have a grand time. Couples who, like us, went on a veritable binge of personal liberty, only to find it boomeranging back, aimed at things they prized.

"Control - that's one big thing the church has given us who have groped our way back . . . Association with people who have learned the same lessons, gotten the same perspective, and are now reaching out toward the same strength, makes it easier.

"The strength is there. A strength that is singularly the church's own. Open the doors of your church next Sunday, and you'll find it as we did.

"We're glad we went back to church."

Bartter Installation

The combined Congregational and Emmanuel Evangelical and Reformed Churches of Newton will hold a Service of Installation for their new pastor, the Rev. Alfred H. Bartter on Nov. 16, 1958. The council will convene at 4:30 P.M., to hear a paper prepared by Mr. Bartter. A Fellowship supper will be served at 6 P.M., followed by the installation at 7:30 P.M. The Rev. George Ogden Kirk of Wichita Plymouth will preach the sermon. Others participating will be Supt. L. M. Rymph, President A. H. Wegener and ministers of the fellowships.

Dover Leadership

The Dover Federated Church is being served by the Rev. Terry Hodges, a Baptist minister. Mr. and Mrs. Hodges and 4 year old son live in the Dover parsonage. Mr. Hodges teaches Speech and Dramatics at Washburn Rural High School near Topeka.

A Boy

Born August 29, Marwood Neal came to the Stanley parsonage, son of the Rev. and Mrs. Marvin Ediger.

Our Christian World Mission

KANSAS GIVING - To October 30, 1958

Church	O.C.W.M. Quota 1958	O.C.W.M. Paid 1958	2nd Mile Paid 1958
*Almena	$ 400.00	$ 200.00	$ 49.44
*Anthony	750.00	562.50	116.98
*Ash Rock	100.00	100.00	.....
*Athol	300.00	300.00	8.00
*Carbondale	200.00	212.50	42.00
*Centralia	600.00	500.00	205.68
*Council Grove	400.00	216.55	.....
Dover	100.00	100.00	.....
*Downs	240.00	240.00	.....
*Ellis	600.00	450.00	.....
*Emporia 1st	3,200.00	1,950.00	263.44
*Emporia Sardis	250.00	250.00	1.50
*Eureka	600.00	550.00	119.06
*Ford	100.00	84.80	44.95
*Garden City	2,000.00	1,500.00	86.86
Gaylord	200.00	58.48	9.60
*Gorham	400.00	400.00	52.71
*Great Bend	2,500.00	2,601.88	112.39
*Haven	400.00	400.00	86.57
*Hutchinson	.....	300.00	.....
*Independence	400.00	400.00	81.65
Kansas City:			
*First Pilgrim	1,000.00	1,000.00	87.52
*Rosedale	1,100.00	825.00	72.20
*Ruby	1,050.00	1,050.00	18.86
*Welborn	2,750.00	2,062.50	129.21
*Kinsley	600.00	450.00	45.80
*Kiowa	300.00	300.00	.....
*Lawrence Plymouth	8,500.00	7,100.00	344.40
*Leavenworth	550.00	476.25	18.45
*Lenora	750.00	750.00	.....
*Lincoln	150.00	112.50	.....
*Little River	400.00	400.00	45.83
*McPherson	500.00	1,378.00	113.44
*Maize	250.00	250.00	25.00
*Manhattan	2,400.00	1,800.00	106.55
*Maple Hill	400.00	175.00	43.00
*Matfield Green	.....	13.00	.....
*Milford	300.00	300.00	75.95
*Mound City	185.00	33.00	.....
*Mount Hope	600.00	600.00	58.66
*Muscotah	300.00	225.00	.....
*Newton	600.00	400.00	38.00
Olive Hill	.....	34.00	11.00
*Onaga	400.00	300.00	27.10
*Osborne	1,600.00	1,600.00	232.99
*Ottawa	600.00	600.00	40.51
*Partridge	600.00	600.00	91.58
*Pleasant Hill	100.00	100.00	.....
*Plevna	250.00	187.50	57.29
*Prairie Village	900.00	900.00	.....
*Russell	1,800.00	1,350.00	121.64
*Sabetha	2,500.00	1,875.00	160.00
*Sedgwick	400.00	300.00	.....
*Seneca	450.00	337.50	21.80
*Smith Center	350.00	175.00	43.97
*Stanley	600.00	600.00	88.45
St. Marys	75.00	56.25	.....
*Stockton	400.00	400.00	.....
*Tonganoxie	350.00	150.00	.....
Topeka:			
* Central	7,000.00	5,250.00	935.07
* First	5,400.00	4,062.00	265.52
* Seabrook	600.00	300.00	.....
* Seaman	2,000.00	1,000.00	85.00
*Towanda	200.00	150.00	.....
*Udall	100.00	50.00	10.00
Wabaunsee	40.00	40.00	.....
*Wakefield	450.00	450.00	85.00
*Wheaton	150.00	112.50	20.50
*Whitewater	1,250.00	1,250.00	.....
Wichita:			
* Concord	360.00	223.43	25.42
* Fairmount	3,300.00	2,475.00	269.84
* Mayflower	250.00	243.77	11.75
* Pilgrim	1,500.00	750.00	.....
* Plymouth	9,370.00	7,027.50	856.01
Guild	1,200.00	1,200.00	.....
TOTALS	$81,270.00	$65,227.33	$6,015.22

* Indicates Per Capita is Paid. Second Mile includes One Great Hour, CROP, S.O.S. and other extra gifts sent thru the Conference Office.

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Seabrook News

On October 16, 250 people attended a barbecue supper at Topeka Seabrook. Tickets were sold at a very nominal sum and the meat was prepared and the rest of the meal provided by Mel and Lou Falley. The children enjoyed a motion picture while the adults saw, "The Secret of the Gift" and carefully considered and adopted a budget of $23,250.00 for 1959.

On October 26 many congratulations and a gift were presented to the Rev. Floyd Davidson in recognition of the 25th Annivesarry of his Ordination. In the afternoon the Davidson's held Open House at the newly decorated parsonage.

An Economy Hint

If you want Alice Huggin's "WAN FU: TEN THOUSAND HAPPINESS", get your school people to buy it from the Kansas State Reading Circle, 715 West 10th, Topeka. They have autographed copies and the discount is good.

Christmas Workshops

As we go to press reports indicate that the three Workshops held Oct. 29 were very worthwhile; Whitewater had 51 from 7 churches; Russell had 24 from 5 churches; Lawrence - 40.

Attend Observation School

Attending the Observation School sponsored by the Kansas Council of Churches at First Presbyterian in Wichita, November 14-16 will be: Mrs. A. H. Bartter, Newton, Mrs. Floyd Davidson, Topeka Seabrook, Mrs. Paul Heide, Wichita Plymouth, Mrs. Harry Koestel, Partridge, John Lockwood, Whitewater, Mrs. Vaughn Lundberg and Mrs. Vernon Toburen of Manhattan, Mrs. R. R. Spohrer of Lenora and Mr. T. J. Waters of KC Welborn.

Mrs. Kenneth Martin of Welborn will lead the Primary section.

Nearing The Goal

On October 19, following much preparation and training, 60 men from Topeka Seaman went out for three year pledges for a new Religious Education building. As we go to press, $55,700.00 of the $62,000 goal has been pledged. Many follow-up calls are yet to be made. Those working with Rev. Russell May of the Home Missions Board, testify that this was much more than a financial success - it was an uplifting spiritual experience.

Invitation Conference

Thirty men from conferences west of the Miss. were invited to Estes Park Nov. 4-6 for a study of the use of small groups in the programs of the church. The Rev. Ed. Brantz of Great Bend and the Rev. Louis Poppe of Whitewater attended from Kansas.